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"HOW MANY TIMES HAVE TERRY AND I DONE THIS?

"PUTTING PHOTOS ON THE WALL TRYING TO CONNECT PREDATORS TO VICTIMS.

"IT'S LIKE WE'RE BACK IN THE JUNGLES OF BOTSWANA WHERE THIS ALL STARTED. LIKE WE'RE SOLDIERS AGAIN.

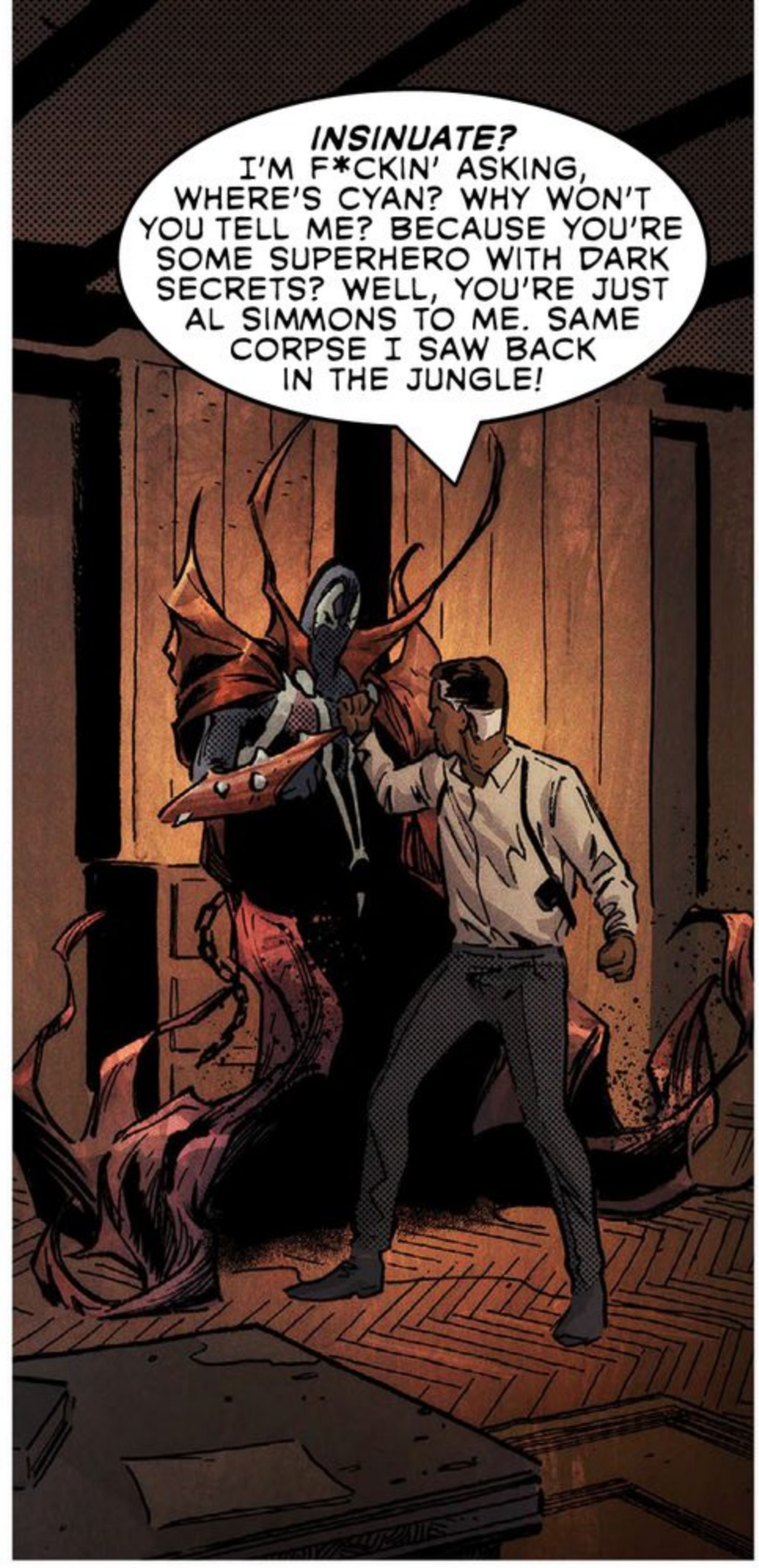
"IT FEELS... RIGHT. THOUGH, IT'LL TAKE MORE TIME FOR TERRY TO FEEL THE SAME."

THAT *"THING"* SAID HE WANTED YOU THERE SO THE PUBLIC WOULD SEE THAT YOU'D KILL KIDS.*

AND THE FACT THAT YOU WERE THE LAST PERSON TO SEE MY DAUGHTER AND WON'T TELL ME WHERE SHE IS, DOESN'T GIVE ME MUCH CONFIDENCE.

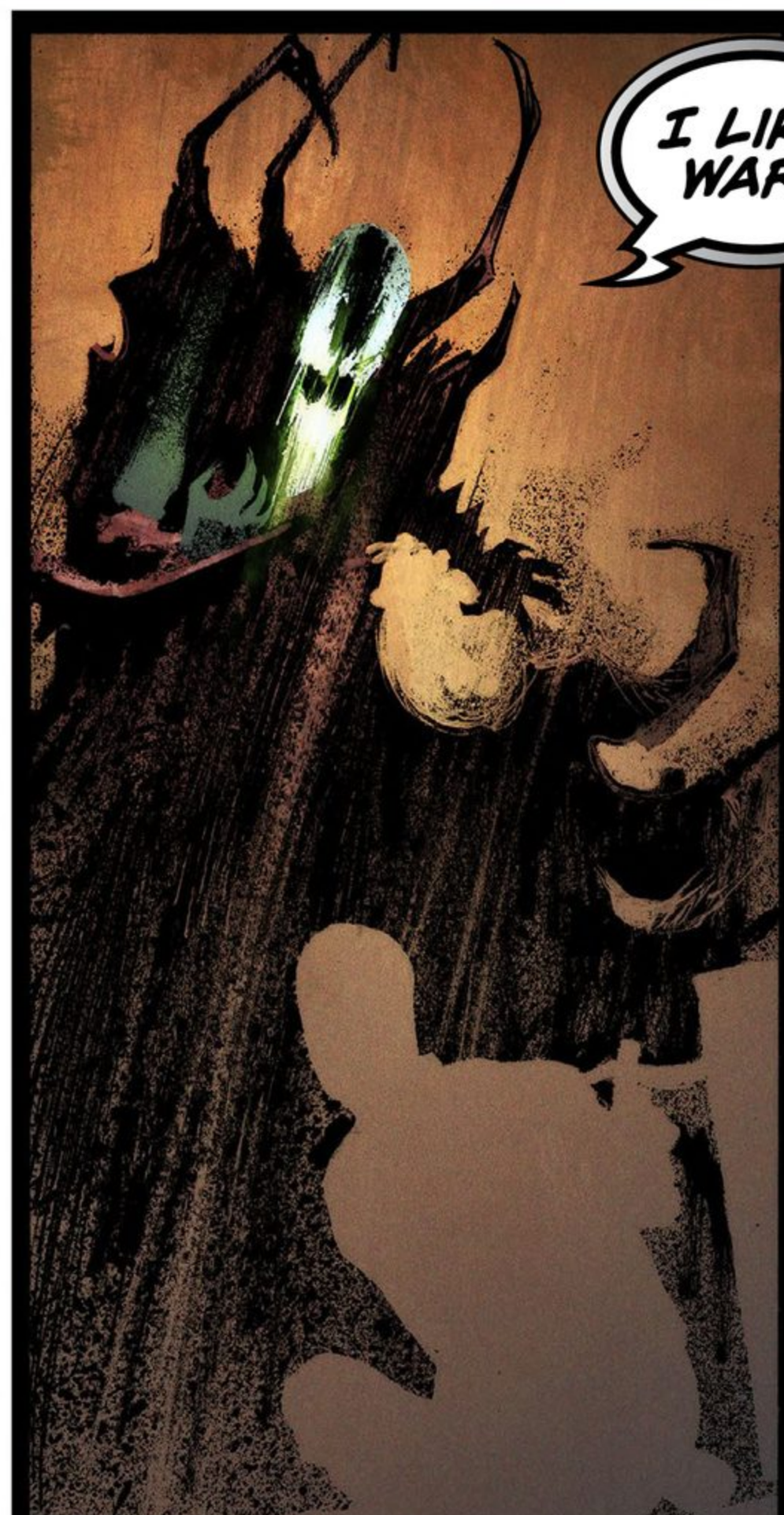
*SEE LAST ISSUE--TODD

ARE YOU INSINUATING SOMETHING, TERRY?

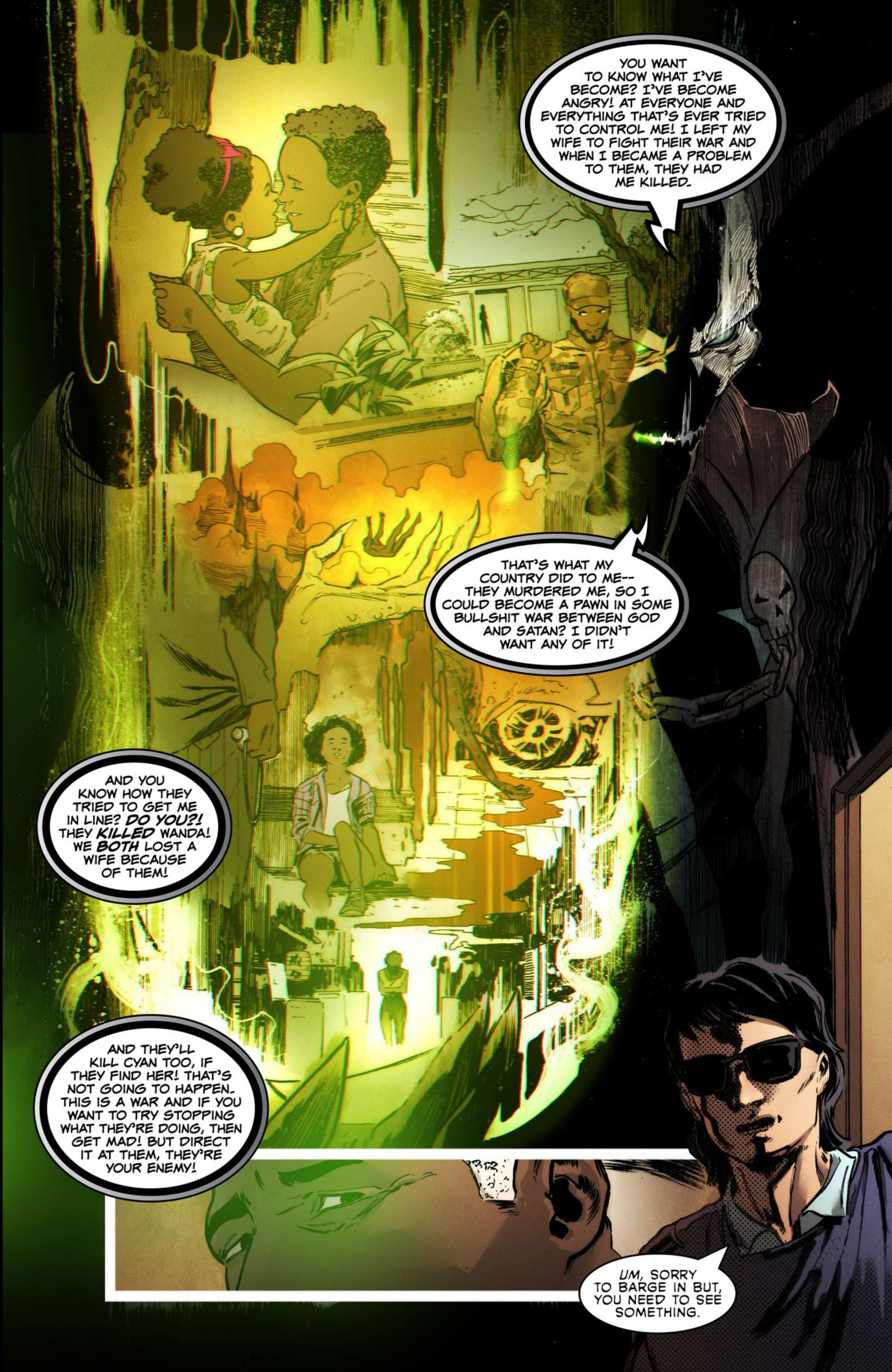

INSINUATE? I'M F*CKIN' ASKING, WHERE'S CYAN? WHY WON'T YOU TELL ME? BECAUSE YOU'RE SOME SUPERHERO WITH DARK SECRETS? WELL, YOU'RE JUST AL SIMMONS TO ME. SAME CORPSE I SAW BACK IN THE JUNGLE!

WHAP

WHAT IS IT? ARE YOU USING HER SO YOU CAN GET BACK AT ME? OR DO YOU JUST LIKE GOING TO WAR AND DON'T CARE WHO IT HURTS?

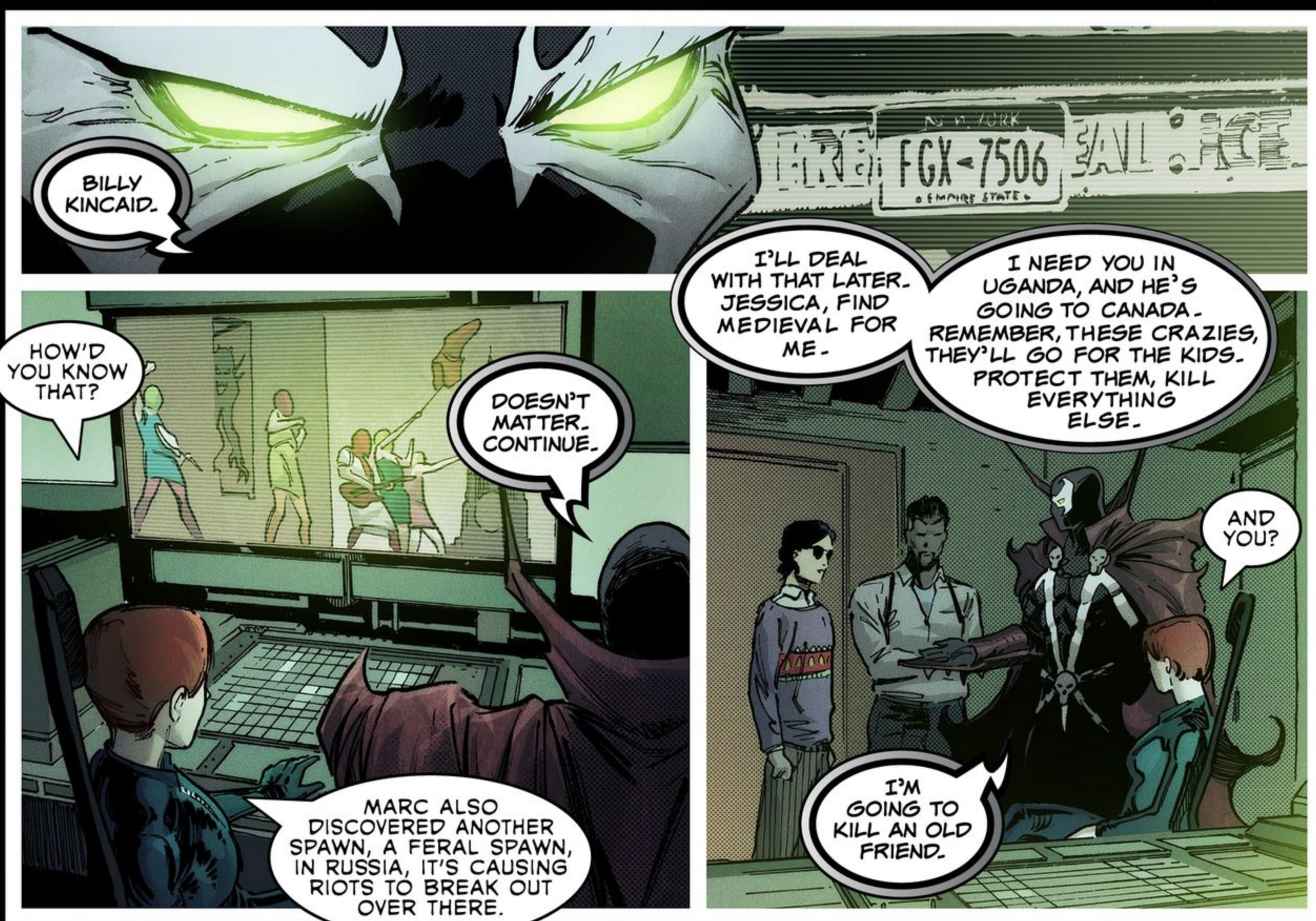

I LIKE WAR.

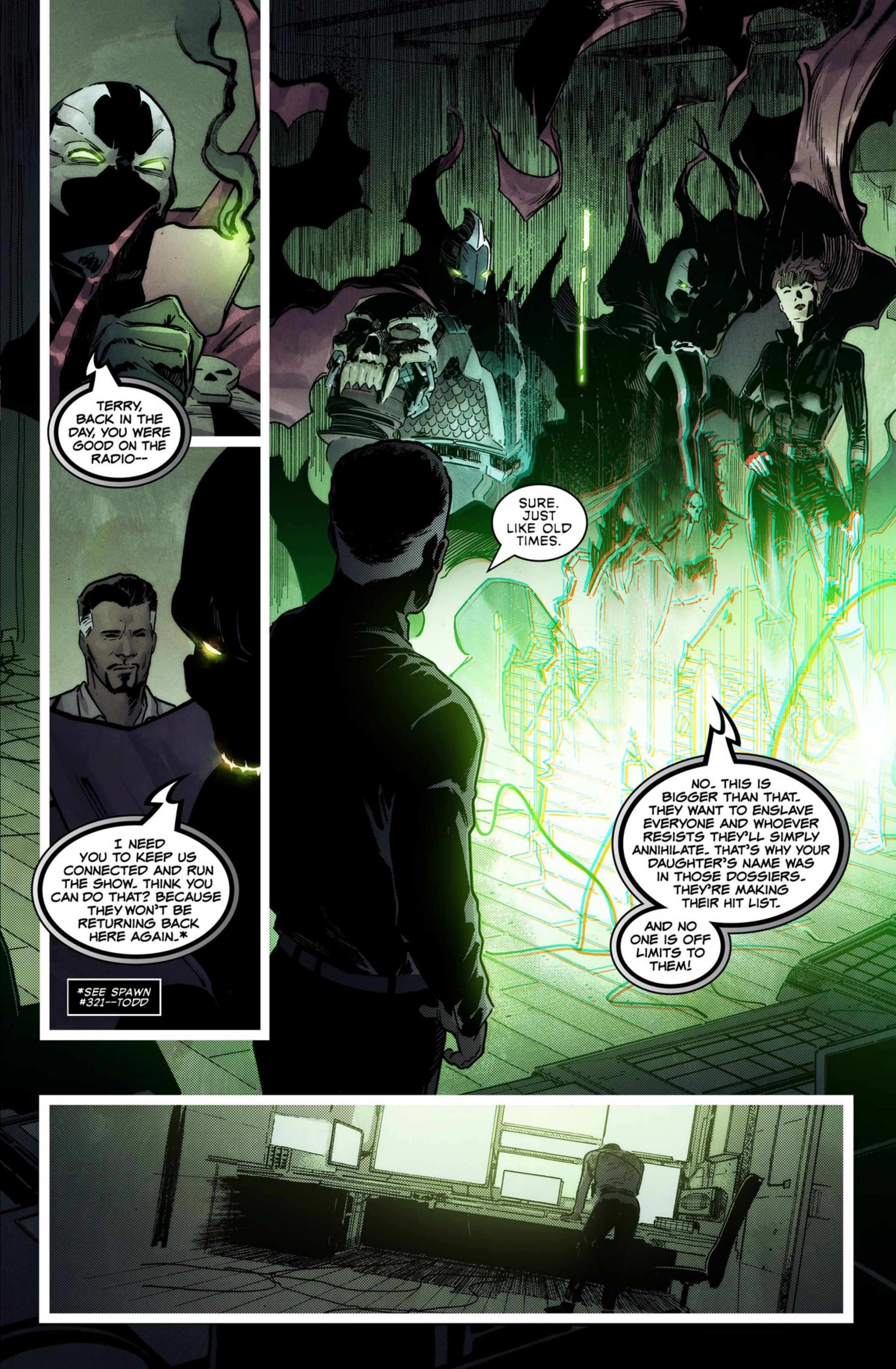
LOOK AT YOU.
LOOK WHAT YOU'VE BECOME. YOU'RE PATHETIC!


YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT I'VE BECOME? I'VE BECOME ANGRY! AT EVERYONE AND EVERYTHING THAT'S EVER TRIED TO CONTROL ME! I LEFT MY WIFE TO FIGHT THEIR WAR AND WHEN I BECAME A PROBLEM TO THEM, THEY HAD ME KILLED.
THAT'S WHAT MY COUNTRY DID TO ME-- THEY MURDERED ME, SO I COULD BECOME A PAWN IN SOME BULLSHIT WAR BETWEEN GOD AND SATAN? I DIDN'T WANT ANY OF IT!
AND YOU KNOW HOW THEY TRIED TO GET ME IN LINE? DO YOU?! THEY KILLED WANDA! WE BOTH LOST A WIFE BECAUSE OF THEM!
AND THEY'LL KILL CYAN TOO, IF THEY FIND HER! THAT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. THIS IS A WAR AND IF YOU WANT TO TRY STOPPING WHAT THEY'RE DOING, THEN GET MAD! BUT DIRECT IT AT THEM, THEY'RE YOUR ENEMY!
UM, SORRY TO BARGE IN BUT, YOU NEED TO SEE SOMETHING.

THIS HAD BETTER BE GOOD.
IT'S PSALMS 137. DIFFERENT TERRORIST CELLS, ATTACKING ALL AT ONCE. ABOUT TWELVE ATTACKS TOTAL.

AN ICE CREAM TRUCK MOWED DOWN PEDESTRIANS IN TORONTO. ANOTHER GROUP, IN UGANDA, KIDNAPPED A BUNCH OF GIRLS FROM A SCHOOL. SOMEONE BLEW UP A TEMPLE IN IRAN. IT'S SPREAD EVERYWHERE ON THE GLOBE.
ICE CREAM
137
POLICE
UGANDA
KAMPALA
I RAN THE PLATES ON THE ICE CREAM TRUCK. THEY BELONGED TO SOME GUY, WHO'S BEEN DEAD FOR YEARS, NAMED...


BILLY KINCAID.
FGX-7506
I'LL DEAL WITH THAT LATER. JESSICA, FIND MEDIEVAL FOR ME.
I NEED YOU IN UGANDA, AND HE'S GOING TO CANADA. REMEMBER, THESE CRAZIES, THEY'LL GO FOR THE KIDS. PROTECT THEM, KILL EVERYTHING ELSE.
HOW'D YOU KNOW THAT?
DOESN'T MATTER. CONTINUE.
MARC ALSO DISCOVERED ANOTHER SPAWN, A FERAL SPAWN, IN RUSSIA, IT'S CAUSING RIOTS TO BREAK OUT OVER THERE.
AND YOU?
I'M GOING TO KILL AN OLD FRIEND.


TERRY, BACK IN THE DAY, YOU WERE GOOD ON THE RADIO--
I NEED YOU TO KEEP US CONNECTED AND RUN THE SHOW. THINK YOU CAN DO THAT? BECAUSE THEY WON'T BE RETURNING BACK HERE AGAIN.*
*SEE SPAWN #321--TODD
SURE. JUST LIKE OLD TIMES.
NO. THIS IS BIGGER THAN THAT. THEY WANT TO ENSLAVE EVERYONE AND WHOEVER RESISTS THEY'LL SIMPLY ANNIHILATE. THAT'S WHY YOUR DAUGHTER'S NAME WAS IN THOSE DOSSIERS. THEY'RE MAKING THEIR HIT LIST.
AND NO ONE IS OFF LIMITS TO THEM!

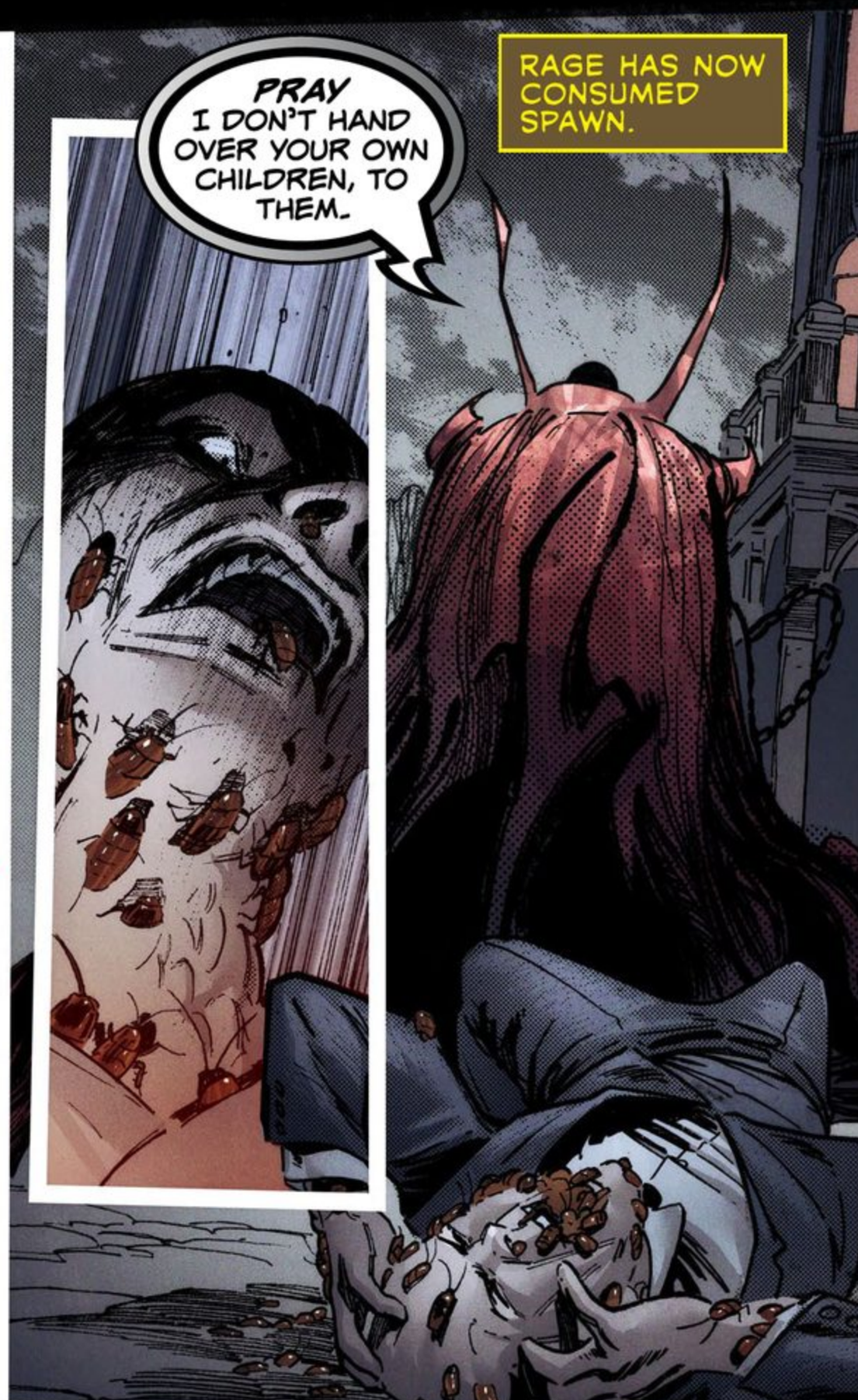
"THE LICENSE PLATE WAS A CLUE FROM KINCAID, HE WANTS ME TO TRACK HIM DOWN. TO HUNT HIM. AND IF HE'S NOT AFRAID OF ME, THAT MEANS HIS POWER HAS GROWN. SAME WITH THE INFLUENCE OF THOSE THAT PROTECT HIM.
"THEY'RE THE SAME ONES THAT SHOW OFF THEIR WEALTH BECAUSE IT'S THE ONLY THING THAT DEFINES THEM AND WORSE, THEY THINK IT ALSO SHIELDS THEM FROM THE REALITY OF THEIR GREEDY ACTIONS.
"CHILDREN ARE NOTHING BUT TOYS TO THEM, TO BE PLAYED WITH ANYWAY THEY CHOOSE.
HE'S HERE! LIKE KINCAID SAID. GET THE NECRO-PLASM!
"EVEN THEIR GUARDS, AT THEIR CLUBHOUSE ARE DRESSED IN TUXEDOS. THAT'S HOW HIGH THEY THINK OF THEMSELVES."

YOU PROTECT THESE MONSTERS?

FOR WHAT, MONEY? THAT'S IT?!

THAT'S ALL IT TAKES TO BE BLIND?! IS MONEY!
KRAK

SO, BEFORE YOU BOTH DIE...


PRAY I DON'T HAND OVER YOUR OWN CHILDREN, TO THEM.
RAGE HAS NOW CONSUMED SPAWN.

THE MAIN FOYER IS SUSPICIOUSLY EMPTY, THOUGH THE SOFT DIN OF LAUGHTER REVERBERATES.
CLONK
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IS THAT THE SOUND OF...A PARTY, SPAWN WONDERS?! ONE WHERE EVEN GUN SHOTS DON'T STARTLE THE GUESTS.
CLONK
IN THE MANSION'S BOWELS, HE FOLLOWS ANOTHER STRANGE, RHYTHMIC SOUND.
CLONK
CLONK
MADE BY THE TAPPING OF A CHILD, WHOM SPAWN RECOGNIZES FROM HIS PHOTO... THE PHOTO FROM ALL THE CHILDREN WHO DIED IN THE SCHOOL BLAST.
BEHOLD OUR *MIRACLE.* FOR HE WILL FOREVER BE OURS.
THE DEAD BOY'S SOUL HAS LITERALLY BEEN TRAPPED BY THESE RELIGIOUS MONSTERS.
FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING HIM THEIR SLAVE.

NO ONE NOTICES SPAWN'S PRESENCE EXCEPT FOR THE CHILD.
I KNOW YOU. YOU WATCHED MY MOM BURY ME. ARE YOU HERE TO CALL ME A MIRACLE, TOO?

NO.
I'M NOT...
THE KING. HE'S HERE.

I'M HERE TO AVENGE YOUR DEATH.
HE FEELS HIS CHAINS FLINCH. THEY'RE HUNGRY AND, LIKE HIM, THEY WANT BLOOD!

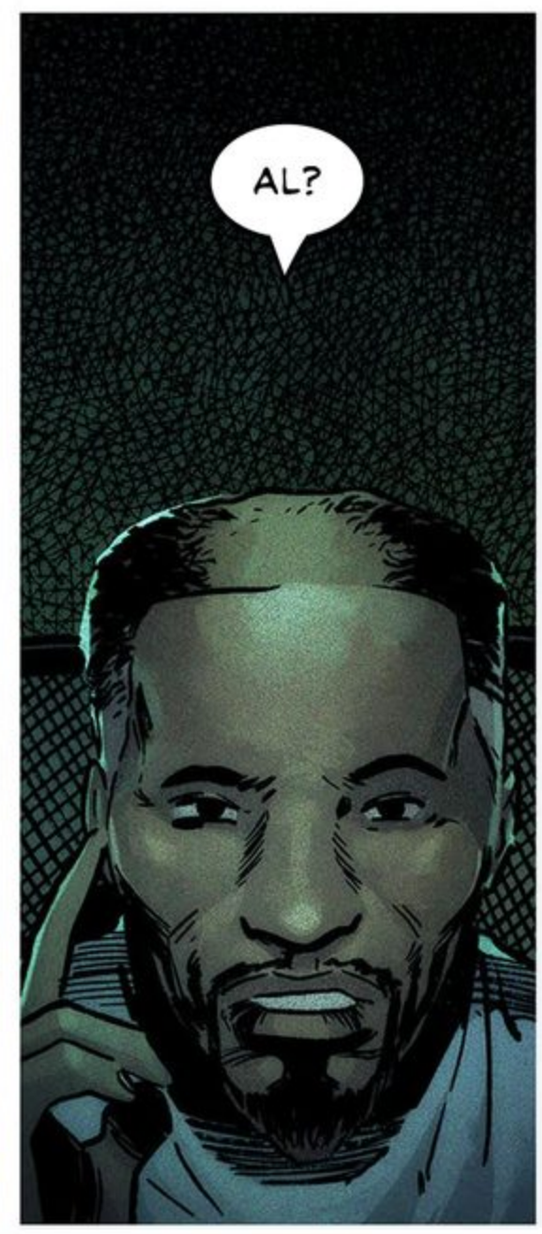
AND SO SPAWN GLADLY UNLEASHES A SLAUGHTERING OF HIS OWN!
WITH THE FORCE OF A HURRICANE HE ATTACKS THEM, NOT CARING WHETHER THEY'RE HUMAN OR SOMETHING ELSE, IT DOESN'T MATTER AS ALL OF THEM ARE WILLINGLY COMPLICIT IN THE ACT OF SLAUGHTERING CHILDREN!
THEY WERE CHILDREN!!
AND THERE'S NO AMOUNT OF PAIN OR PUNISHMENT HE CAN DELIVER ON THEM THAT WILL ATONE FOR THEIR UNSPEAKABLE DEVOTION TO THAT SLAUGHTERING.
YES!
HURT THEM MORE...SO YOU CAN GET YOUR CROWN!
UGANDA
JESSICA-- IT'S TERRY, DO YOU READ ME?

UGANDA
I'M WITH A BUNCH OF KIDS, UNDER HEAVY FIRE! THEY ATTACKED THEIR SCHOOL! I CAN'T CHANGE IN FRONT OF THEM, THEY'RE TOO SCARED ALREADY! SEND SOME BACK-UP!
BLAM!!
JESSICA?
CANADA
GRAAAACH
COWARDLY HEATHENS! YOU'LL NOT HIDE FROM ME!
UNFORTUNATELY, SOME OF THAT BACK-UP IS PREOCCUPIED THEMSELVES.
TERRY, HE HAS SOME KIND OF..
PREPARE TO DIE, FASCIST!
BOOM!
TIC TAC TIC TAC TIC TAC
JESSICA! IT'S TERRY. I JUST LOST CONTACT WITH MEDIEVAL.
AL, WHERE THE HELL ARE YOU?

CLONK
CAN YOU HEAR ME?!

HE DOES, BUT HE'S FOCUSED ON SOMEONE ELSE.
KINCAID!

CLONK


AL?

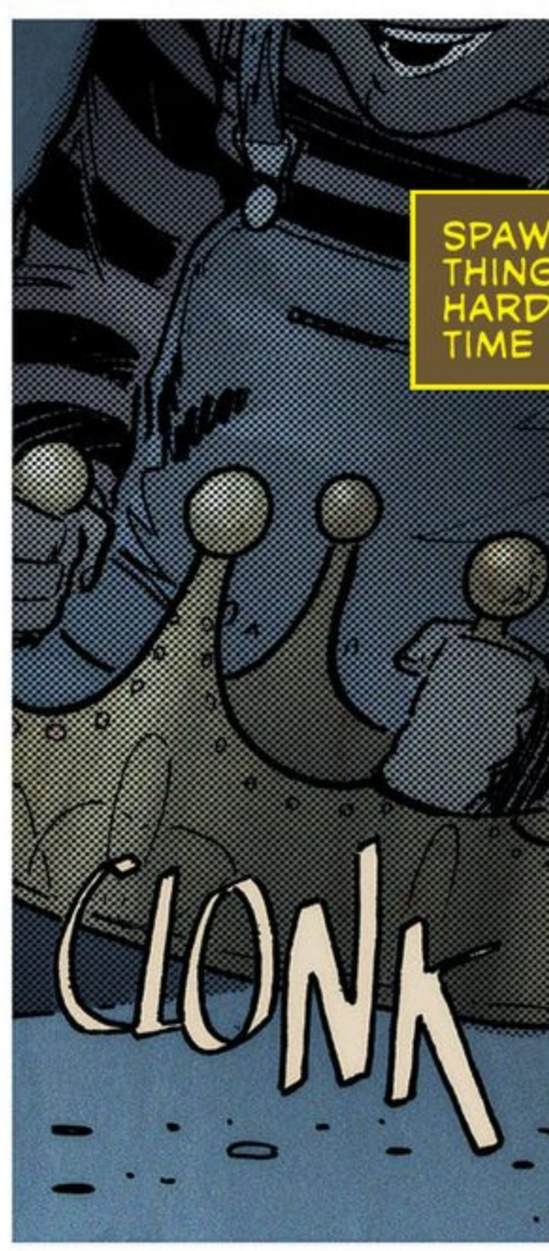
CLONK

SHOW YOURSELF!

CLONK

TERRY CUTS HIS OWN AUDIO, KNOWING ANY DISTRACTION COULD GET HIS FRIEND KILLED.
I HOPE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING, AL.

AS HIS ENEMY EMERGES...


CLONK

SPAWN KNOWS THINGS WILL BE HARDER THIS TIME AROUND.

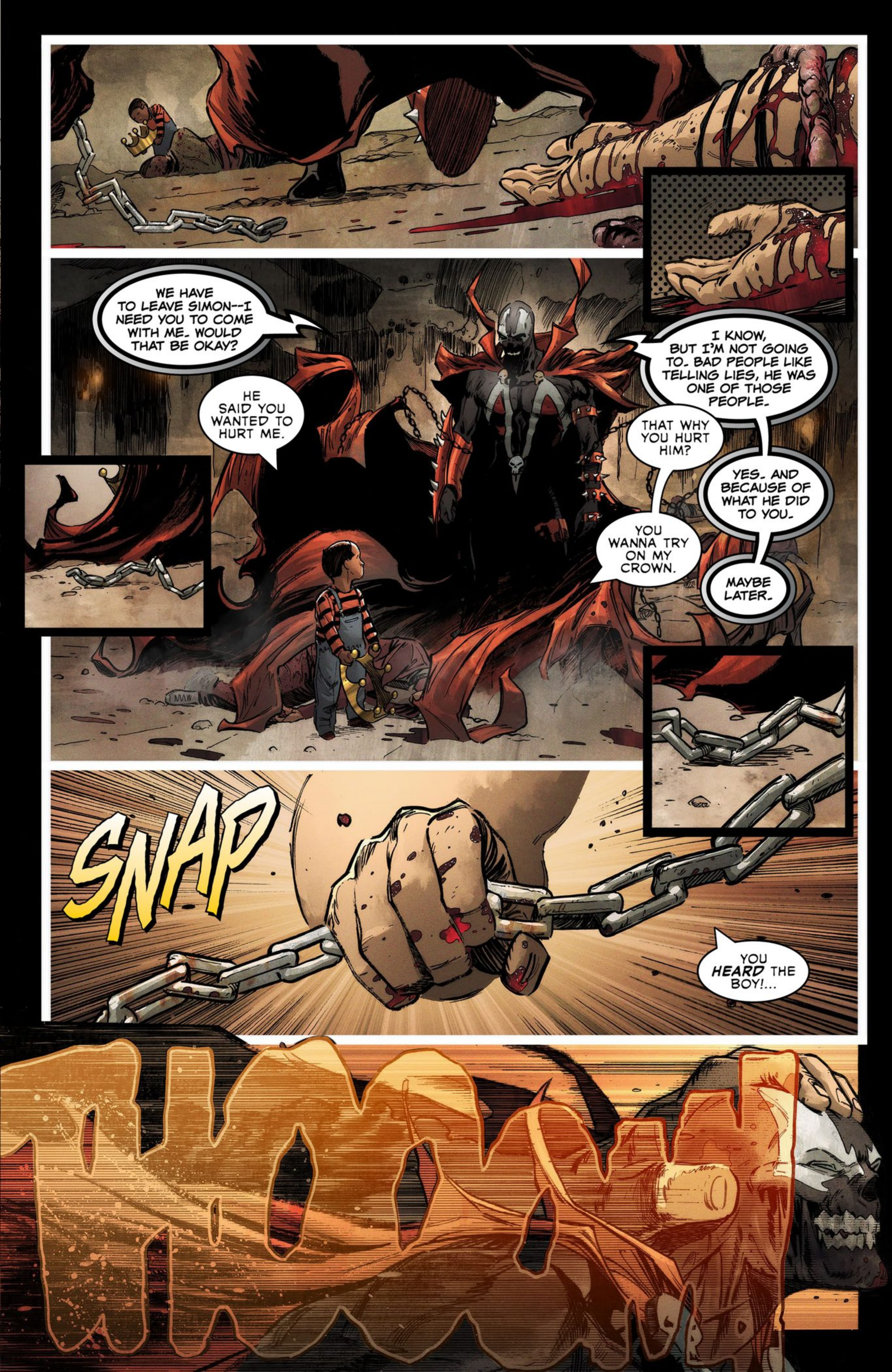
MUCH HARDER
THE LORD ONCE TOLD US: "ASSEMBLE THE PEOPLE TO HEAR MY WORDS. SO THEY MAY LEARN TO FEAR ME FOR ALL ETERNITY--"
AND THAT FEAR, DEAR SPAWN, IS THE THING I FEED THEM SO THEY WILL OBEY EVERYTHING I SAY. SO, KILL THEM ALL IF YOU WANT, I'LL FIND MORE!
BUT THE BOY--HE'S MINE!
BILLY KINCAID WAS HUMAN THE FIRST TIME THESE TWO BATTLED. IT WASN'T MUCH OF A FIGHT.* BUT SOMETHING--OR SOMEONE--HAS MADE HIM STRONGER. TAKING ALL HIS SADISTIC EVIL AND BUILT HIM INTO SOME KIND OF DEMONIC BEAST!
THAT TAKES JOY IN THE PAIN OF OTHERS.
*WAY BACK IN SPAWN #5--TODD

LOOK, SIMON, LIKE I TOLD YOU, YOUR KING HAS ARRIVED.
THOOM
IS HE GOING TO SAVE ME?
NO. HE'S HERE TO DESTROY YOU. AND EVERYTHING ELSE IN THE WORLD.
BUT YOU CAN STOP HIM, RIGHT?
YES, I'LL STOP HIM, JUST LIKE HE STOPPED YOUR SOUL FROM LEAVING BECAUSE THE PORTALS TO HEAVEN AND HELL ARE CLOSED.
CLOSED BY HIM!

HE IS THE REASON FOR PSALMS 137. HIS POWER KILLS CHILDREN WITH EASE. HE CAN EVEN KILL YOU, SWEET SIMON.
KRAK
I WON'T LET HIM. YOU AND ALL CHILDREN BELONG TO ME! ONLY ONE OF US CAN BE YOUR MASTER!
I NEED YOUR SOULS, NOT HIM, BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE ANY LEFT, I GAVE THEM AWAY--FOR MY FREEDOM. SO, I COULD COME HERE!
THE ONE THAT FREED ME, WHO TRANSFORMED ME, SAID THIS HELLSPAWN WOULD TRY TAKING YOU FROM ME.

HE'D TRY TAKING ALL OF YOU!
SPAWN FEELS THE POWER, AND AN EVIL DARKNESS, KINCAID IS NOW FILLED WITH.
BUT THAT DARKNESS IS THE THING SPAWN CAN USE, BECAUSE IT'S SOMETHING HE CONTROLS TOO!
SO, HE SENDS IT; TO ATTACK KINCAID. TO BEGIN EATING HIM ALIVE!
FROM THE INSIDE!
AND ONCE HIS SYMBIOTE IS INSIDE, SPAWN TRANSPORTS THERE HIMSELF!

SO, HE CAN EXPLODE OUT OF HIM!
SIMON?
NOPE DOESN'T FIT. YOU'RE NOT THE KING.


WE HAVE TO LEAVE SIMON--I NEED YOU TO COME WITH ME. WOULD THAT BE OKAY?
HE SAID YOU WANTED TO HURT ME.
I KNOW, BUT I'M NOT GOING TO. BAD PEOPLE LIKE TELLING LIES, HE WAS ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE.
THAT WHY YOU HURT HIM?
YES. AND BECAUSE OF WHAT HE DID TO YOU.
YOU WANNA TRY ON MY CROWN.
MAYBE LATER.
SNAP
YOU HEARD THE BOY!...

PUT ON HIS DAMN CROWN!
OH MY GOSH! IT FITS! IT FITS!!
TO BE CONTINUED...

SPAWNING GROUND

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THE BREAKDOWN

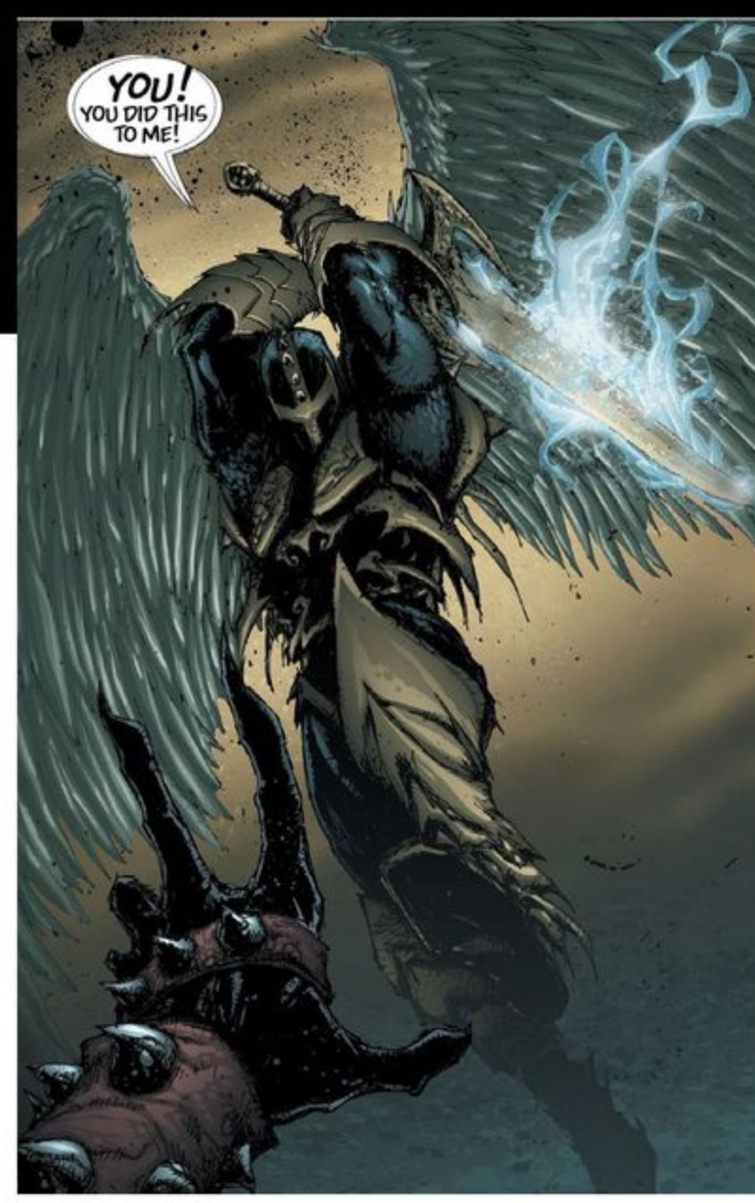
THE EVOLUTION OF REDEEMER

Al Simmons was transformed by Malebolgia into a weapon of the underworld...a HELLSPAWN! But Heaven's Army needed a weapon as well. Something to stand against the demonic forces of Hell. So they created the Anti-Spawn!

Jason Wynn was the first host. The man that had Al Simmons killed was thought to be the perfect weapon against Spawn. Those thoughts proved to be incorrect as Wynn's tenure as Anti-Spawn was quickly brought to an end.

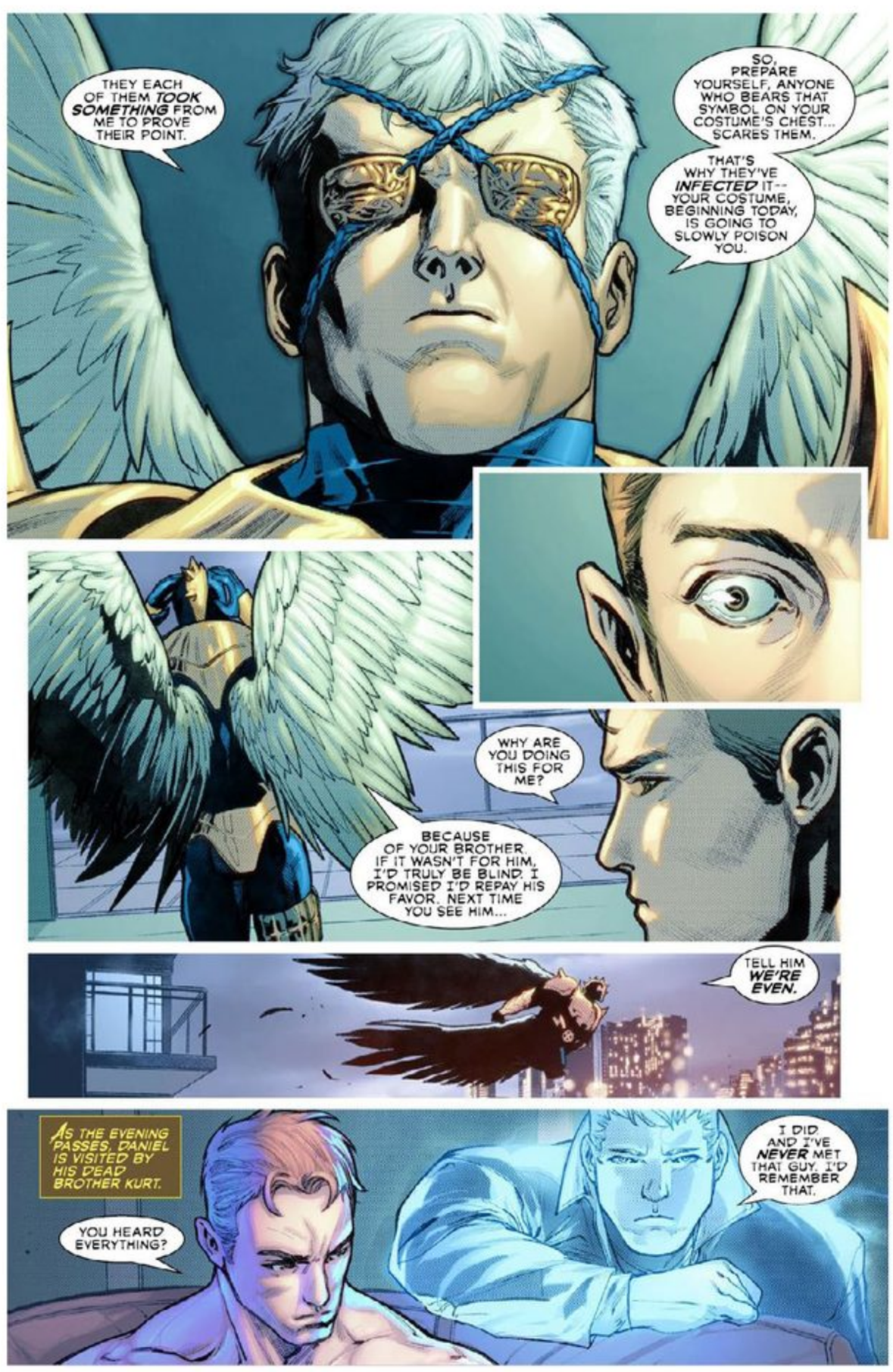
The next Soldier of God chosen by Heaven was devout follower and convict, Phil Timper. Now dubbed "The Redeemer", he sought and failed to destroy Spawn as the latter proved too powerful.

Redeemer returned again, this time with Eddie Frank as the host. Eddie, a child that Spawn thought he "helped" years ago, had been raised in an abusive home along with his brother, Andy. After a difficult time, he is chosen by the "Savior Project" to become the next Redeemer due to his history with Al. After their clash, Redeemer is left stranded in Hell until Nyx finds and frees him.



He continued to fight against Spawn until Al used his powers to free Eddie of his Heavenly influence. Eddie is then transformed into his new form, Reaper.

While Reaper has continued to fight alongside Spawn as an ally, another Redeemer has shown up. Meeting first with the "newly arrived in the present-day" Gunslinger Spawn and then coming to the assistance of Haunt. Who is this new Redeemer? What connection does he have to Spawn and his Allies?



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